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# ITP Corporate Peer Review: Glass Subprogram

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# Key Presentation Contents

- The structure of the industry, the barriers it faces and how these barriers influence our approach
- Why energy matters greatly to the industry
- The types of analyses that guide our efforts
- The management and control processes we use
- The successful collaborations and partnerships we have with the glass industry
- The types of results and leverage that we are achieving



# Glass Industry: Four Major Sectors

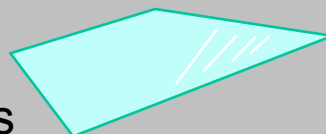
## Container

9.5 million tons  
80 trillion Btu  
\$4.2 billion sales



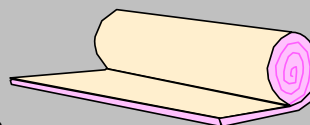
## Flat

5.3 million tons  
63 trillion Btu  
\$2.7 billion sales



## Fiber

3.0 million tons  
63 trillion Btu  
\$4.8 billion sales

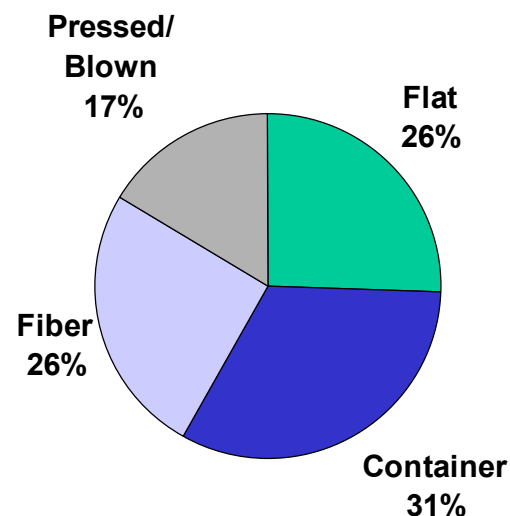


## Pressed/Blown (Specialty)

2.5 million tons  
41 trillion Btu  
\$5.2 billion sales



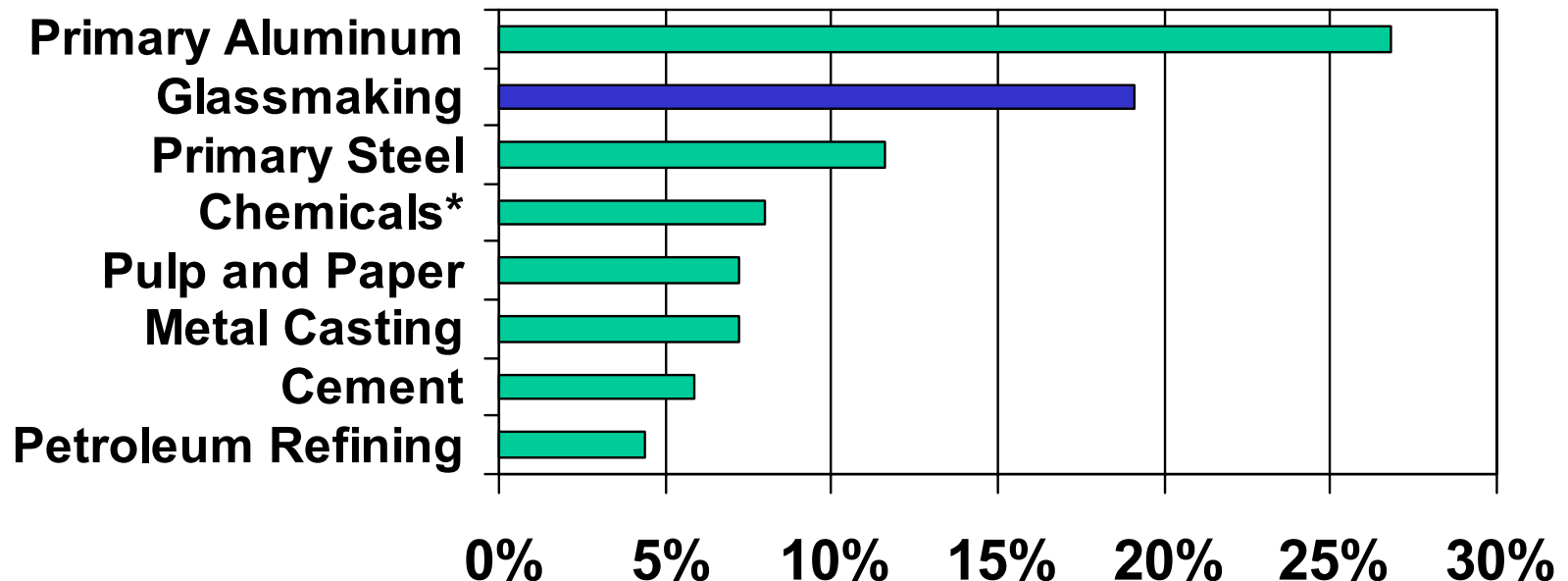
## Energy Use by Sector





# Glass: An Energy-Intensive Industry

## Purchased Energy for Heat and Power: Estimated Share of Direct Production Costs, 2001



\* Excludes pharmaceuticals

Data derived from 2001 Annual Survey of Manufactures, Department of Commerce



# The U.S. Glass Industry

- Around 150 major plants across the country
- Consolidation continuing, operations being conducted on a global stage
- Few resources to invest in R&D, particularly revolutionary process technologies (in-house R&D smaller or closed)
- Significant improvements in energy efficiency since 1970

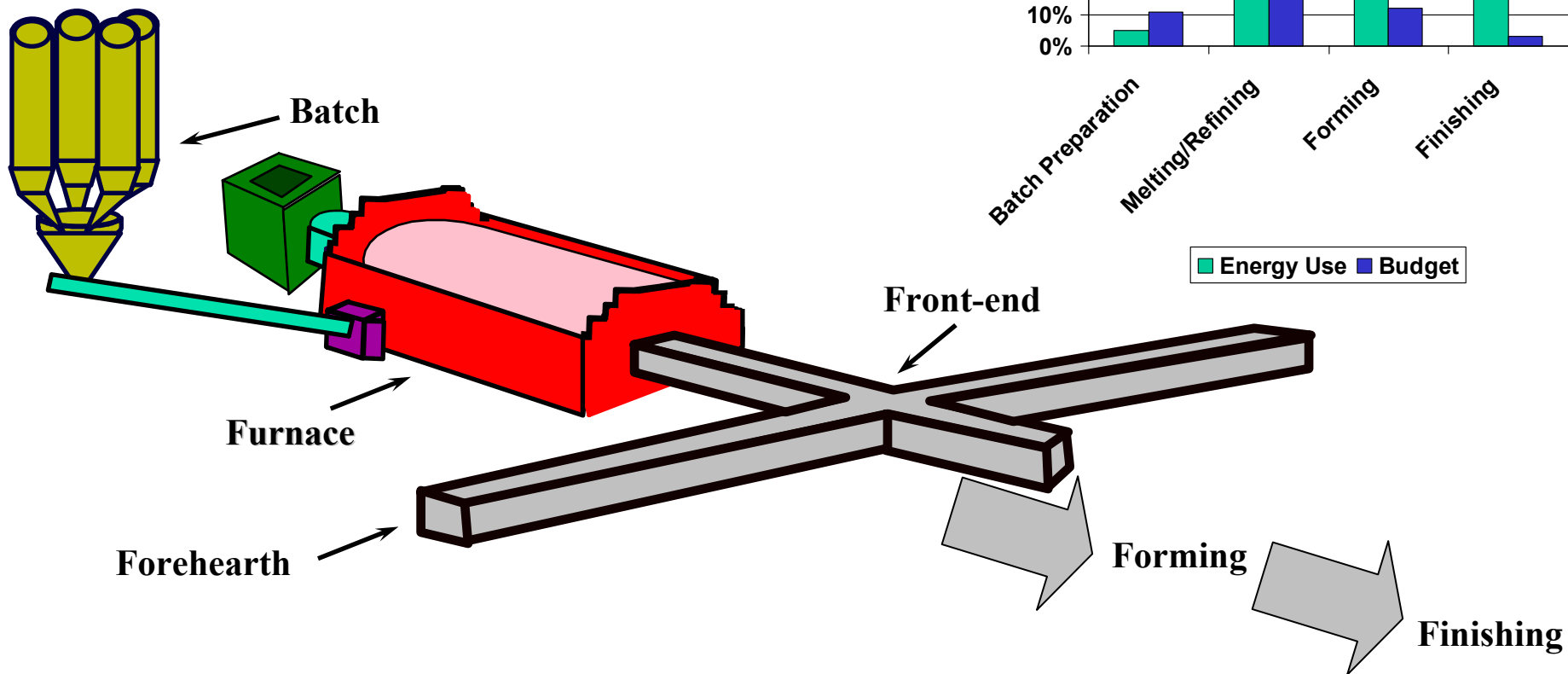


# Glass Processing and Technology

- In 1950s, U.S. was the world leader in glass technology
- Historical lack of collaboration due to legal concerns stemming from prior industry breakup for anti-trust reasons
- Individual company attempts to develop revolutionary technologies in response to 1970s energy crisis largely failed
- Prime opportunity for collaborative government-industry partnership



# Glass Plant Schematic



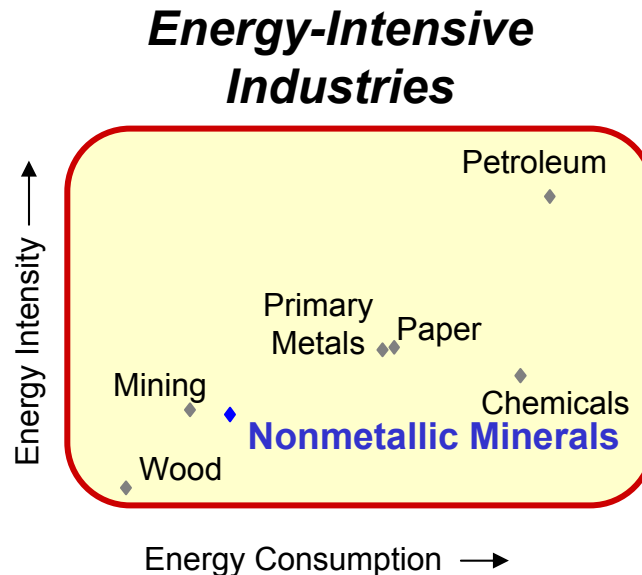




# EERE/ITP Mission and Goals Guide the Glass Subprogram

## EERE/ITP

- EERE:  
Increase the energy efficiency of industry
- ITP:  
By 2020, contribute to a 30% decrease in the energy intensity of energy-intensive industries

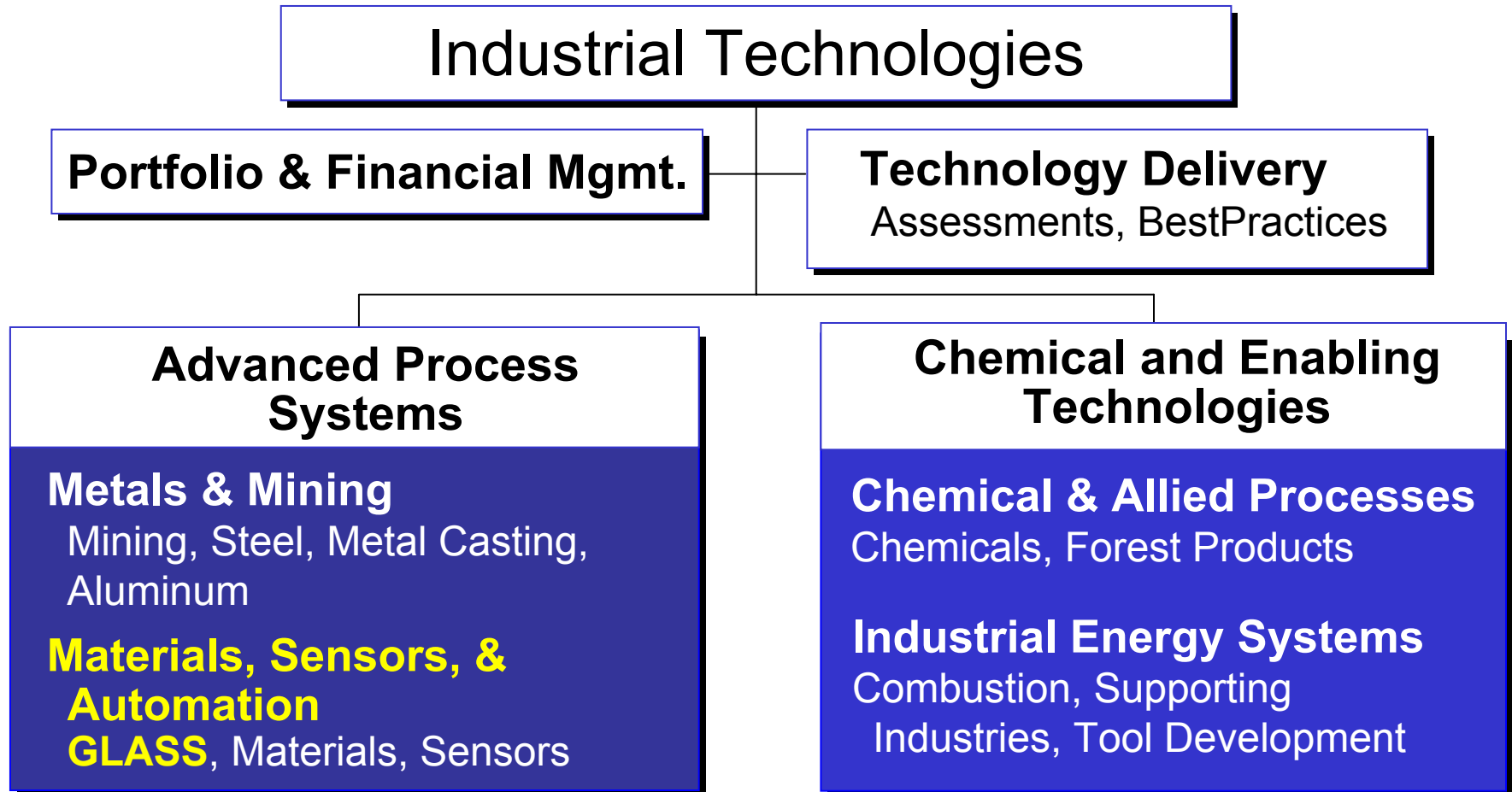


## Glass Subprogram

- Reduce the energy intensity of melting glass
- Improve glass industry productivity and reduce yield losses
- Leverage funding with other ITP and EERE programs



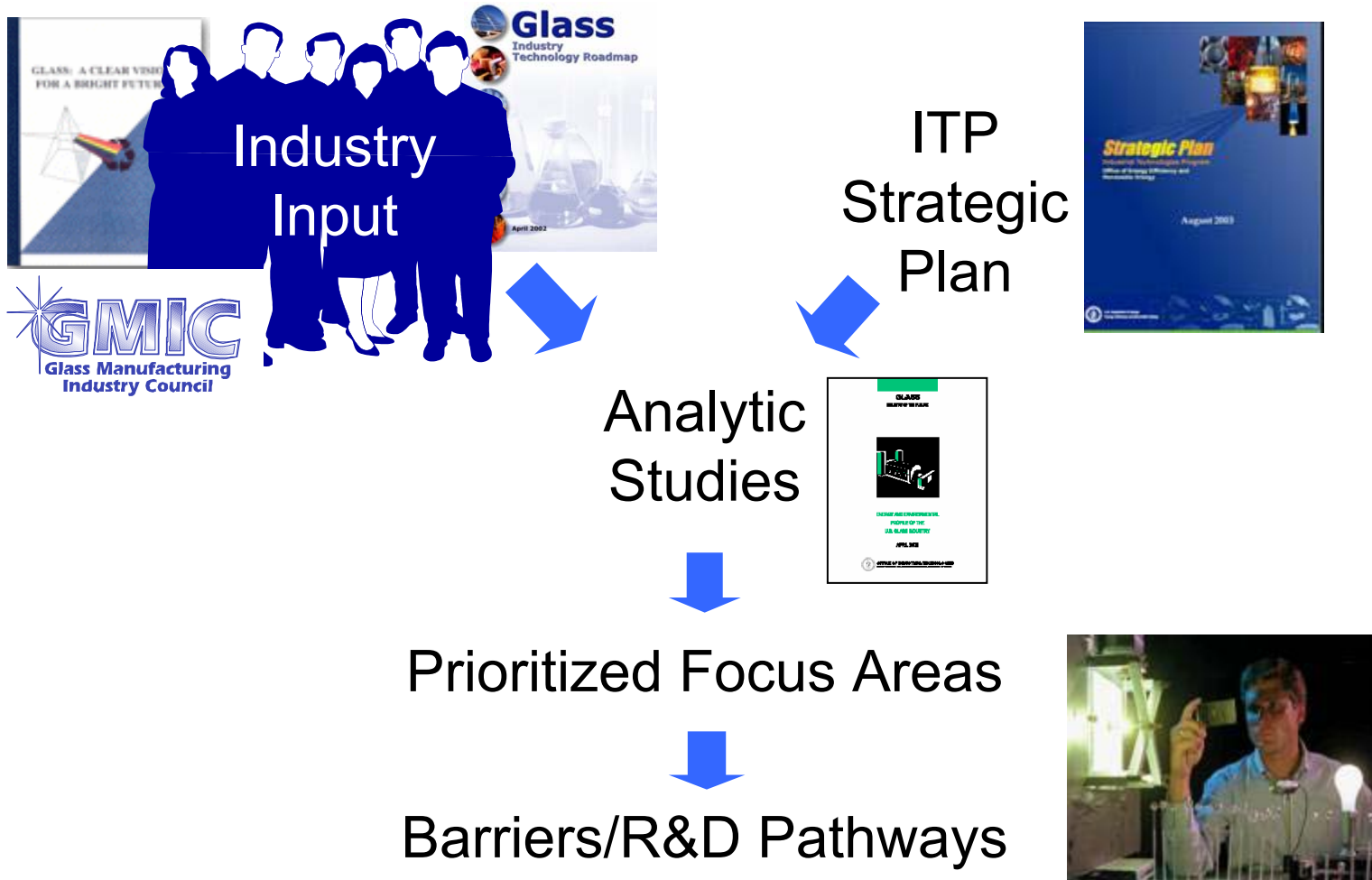
# ITP Program Structure



**Golden Field Office, Regional Offices, NETL**



# Subprogram Planning Inputs and Approach





# Analysis-Guided Planning

## Activity

- Program Goal Setting
- Technology Area Planning
  - Focus Areas
  - Project Solicitation



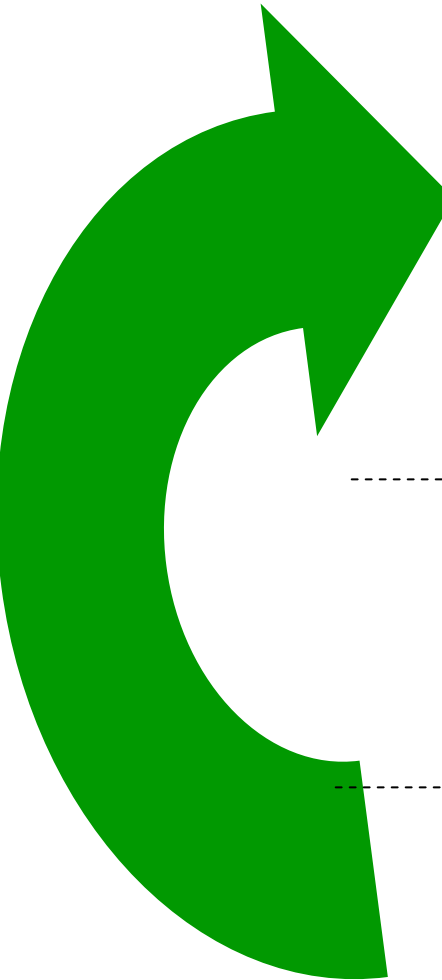
Project Selection  
& Execution



Assessment  
& Evaluation

## Supporting Analysis

- Energy Footprints
- Bandwidth and Other Energy Studies
- Barrier/Pathway Approach
- Expert Peer Reviews
- GPRA
- Detailed Milestone Tracking (CPS)
- Corporate & Portfolio Peer Review
- Follow-Up Studies

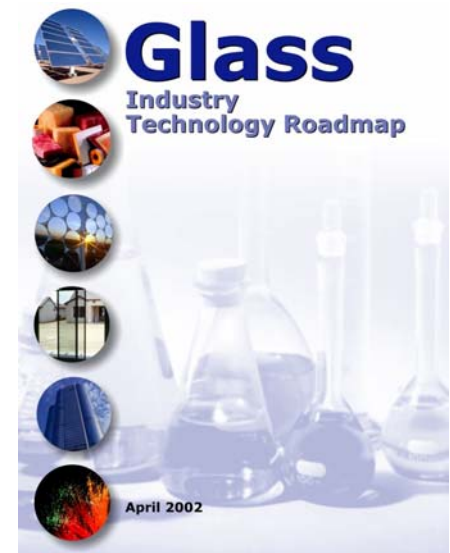
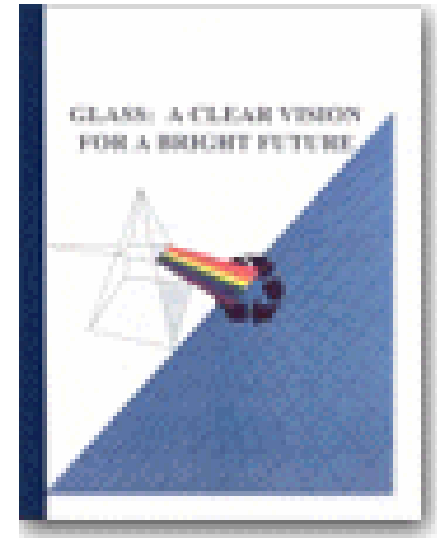




# Industry Inputs

- *Glass Industry Vision*
  - Published 1996
  - Identifies industry goals and priorities

***By 2020, reduce the gap between actual and theoretical energy use by 50%***
- *Glass Industry Technology Roadmap*
  - Published 2002
  - Identifies technical barriers and priority research needs in four technical areas
    - Production Efficiency
    - Energy Efficiency
    - Environmental Performance
    - Innovative Uses
- Technology Workshops



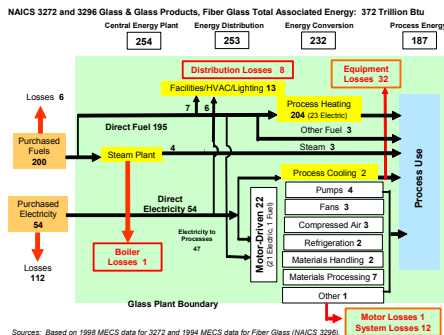


# Analytic Tools and Resources for Glass Subprogram Planning

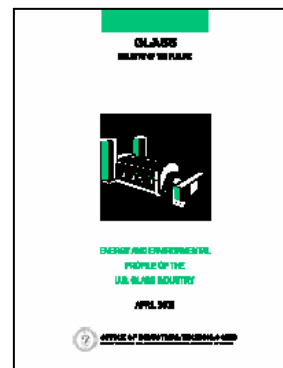
*EIA MECS data  
DOC Census data*

*Glass Industry Energy  
and Environmental  
Profile*

*Energy Bandwidth  
Analysis (under  
development)*



*Energy Footprint  
Analysis*



Technical  
and  
Economic  
Assessment  
(draft)

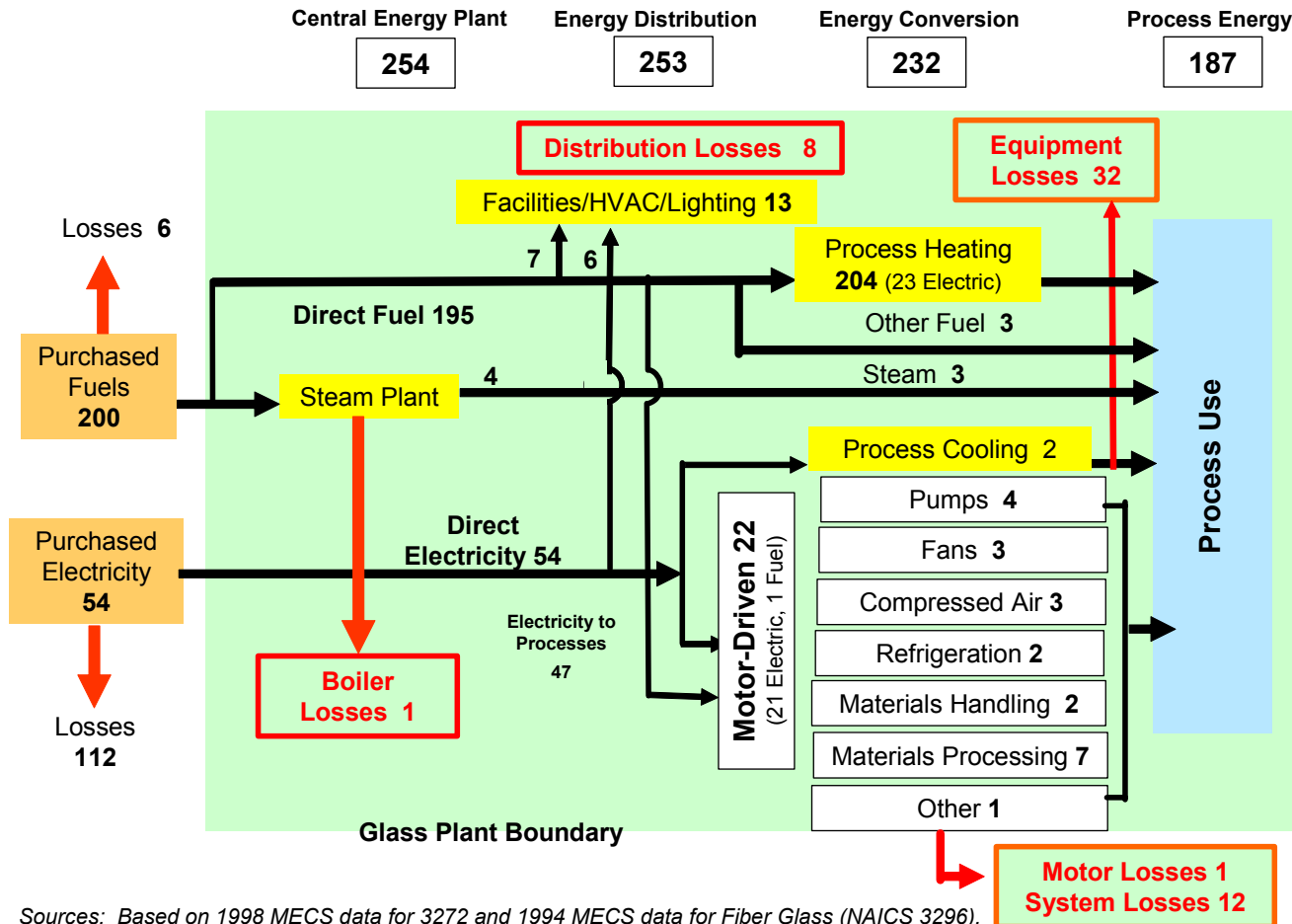
Bandwidth  
Study  
(under  
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*Technical and Economic Assessment  
for Advanced Glass Melting  
Technologies (draft)*



# Glass Industry Footprint Analysis

NAICS 3272 and 3296 Glass & Glass Products, Fiber Glass Total Associated Energy: 372 Trillion Btu

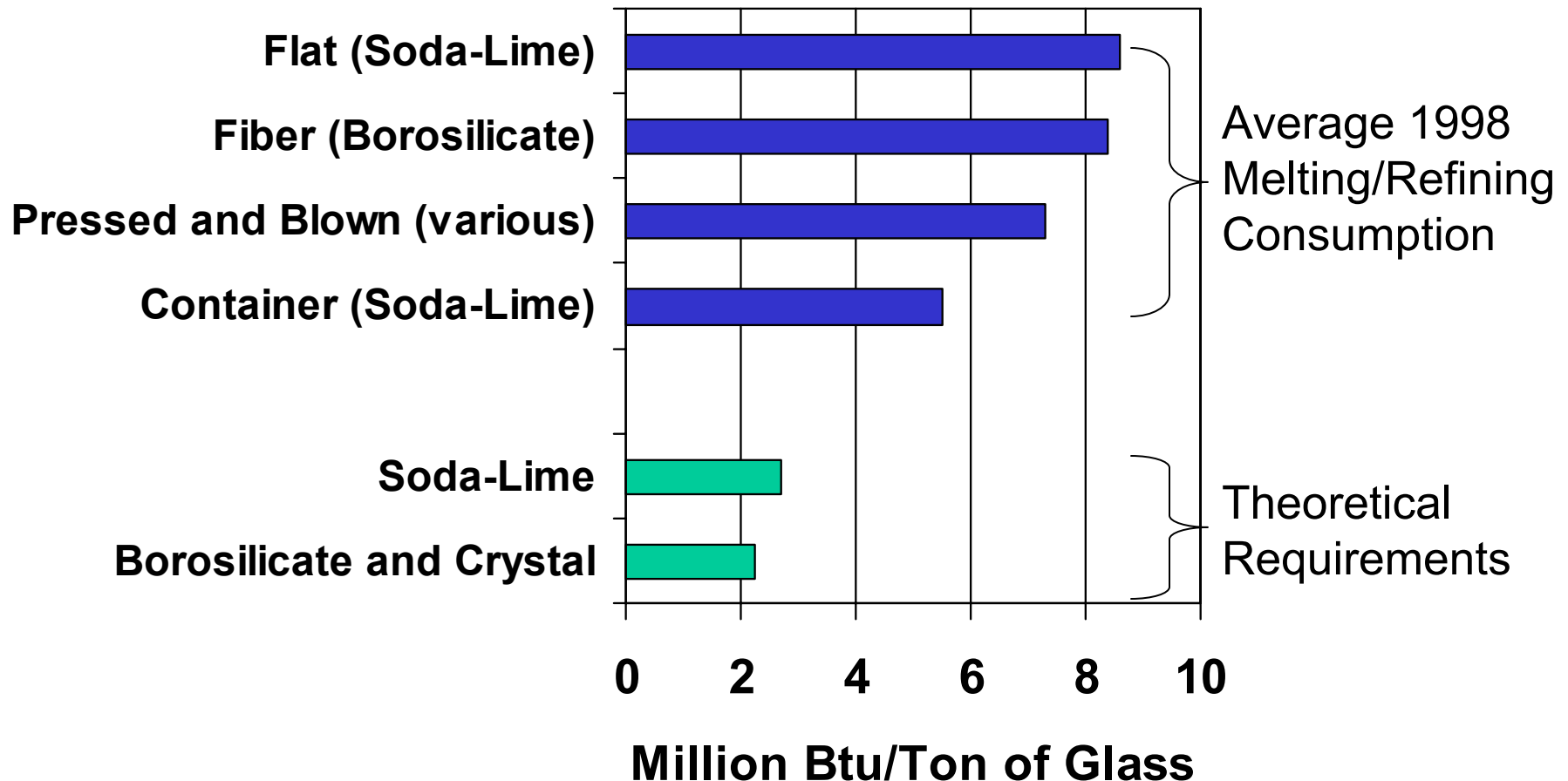


Sources: Based on 1998 MECS data for 3272 and 1994 MECS data for Fiber Glass (NAICS 3296).

- Evaluates end-use and loss patterns to clarify best opportunities for energy efficiency improvements
- Losses occur in equipment and distribution systems supplying energy to process operations or converting energy to usable work



# Theoretical and Average Melting Requirements



**Glass furnaces use significantly more energy than theory requires**





# Key Variables Affecting Glass Energy Use

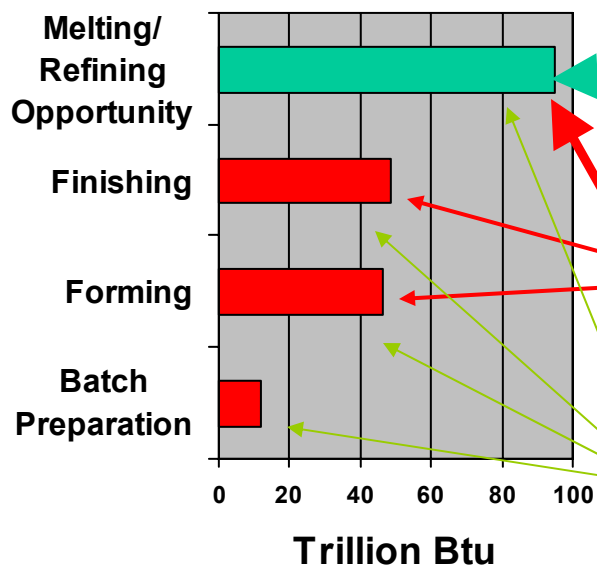
	Variable	Energy	Driver
Melter	Larger size	Lower	Market
	Longer campaign	Higher	Operations, safety
	Better refractory	Lower	Cost
	Switch to oxy-gas	Lower	Oxygen cost, quality
Operations	Lower seed count	Higher	Quality demands
	Higher cullet proportion	Lower	Cullet availability, glass quality
	Higher pull rate	Lower	Higher temperature, shorter campaign
	Glass color/composition	Either	More energy with higher silica, color



# Analytic Basis for Glass Subprogram Priorities

- Use analytic tools to identify the best opportunities for reducing energy intensity
- Set focus areas based on gap between current use and theoretical need
- Quantify potential energy savings in each focus area
- Issue solicitations and select projects as funding allows

## Energy Use/Opportunity

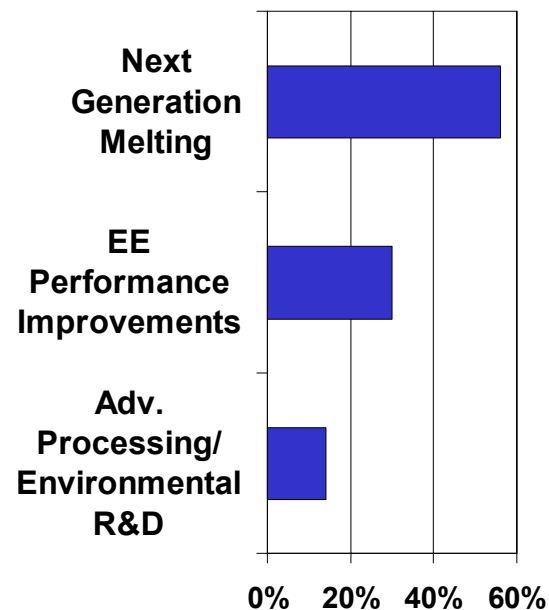


## Glass Focus Areas

- 1 Next Generation Melting Systems
- 2 Energy Efficiency Performance Improvements
- 3 Advanced Processing and Environmental R&D

**SOLICITATIONS**  
**R&D PROJECTS**

## R&D Budget (FY 2004)





# Summary of Glass R&D Focus Areas

## Focus Areas

1. Next Generation Melting Systems
2. Energy Efficiency Performance Improvement
3. Advanced Processing and Environmental R&D

## Goal

Dramatically reduce melting energy intensity through new technology

Maximize energy efficiency utilizing existing plant structure

Improve production efficiency/yield and reduce environmental impact

## Timeframe and Risk

Long-Term  
High-Risk

Mid-Term  
Medium-Risk

Mid-Term  
Medium-Risk



# Focus Area #1: Next Generation Melting Systems

## Barrier-Pathway Approach and Project Selection

### **Barriers**



- Reduce energy use without reducing glass quality and production rate
- Reduce need for additional refining and conditioning
- Reduce risk of scale-up to >500 t/day plant size

### **Pathways**



- Demonstrate alternative approaches to melting and evaluate at pilot-scale
- Validate achievement of technical targets and required integration with refining/ conditioning and other plant systems
- Expand industry collaboration for broader commercial adoption

### **Metrics**

Metric	2020
Energy Savings	26 Trillion Btu
Cost Savings	\$73 million
Carbon Reduction	0.3 MMTCe

- **Solicited for advanced melting concepts in 2002**
- **Selected two projects following merit review**
  - **Submerged Combustion Melting**
  - **High-Intensity Plasma Melting**



# Next Generation Melting Systems Example

## Submerged Combustion Melting (CPS #14231)

### Technology Description:

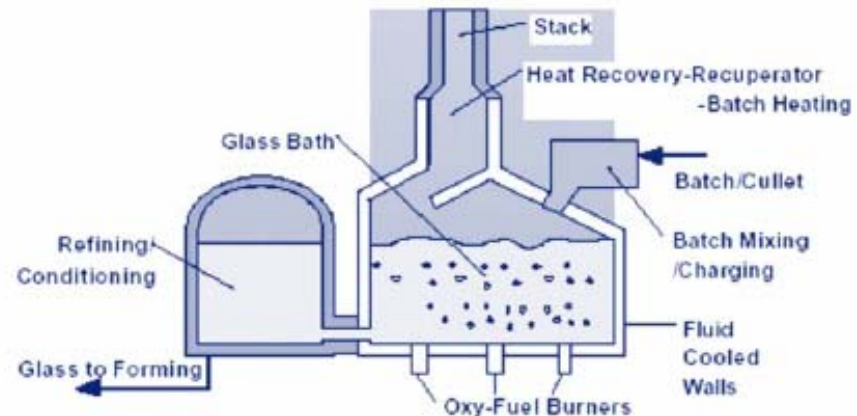
- New glass melting technique employing direct heat transfer and turbulent mixing through submerged oxy-fuel burners

### • Benefits

- Up to 23% energy savings and associated combustion-related emissions
- Significant reduction in capital costs and increased operational efficiency
- Up to 50% reduction in NOx emissions
- Up to 80% reduction in refractory usage

### • Status

- Melter modeling and design underway
- Pilot-scale fabrication planned for FY05  
(subject to availability of funding)



Partners: Gas Technology Institute, Corning, PPG Industries, Owens Corning, Schott Glass Technologies, Johns Manville, CertainTeed, Combustion Tec/Eclipse, Praxair, Fluent, A.C. Leadbetter and Son, NYSERDA



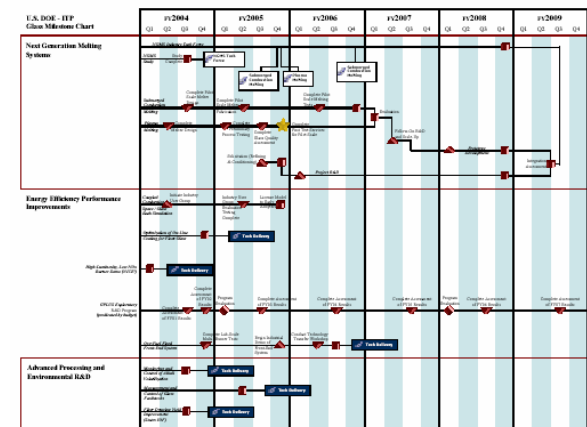
# Next Generation Melting Systems Management by Milestone

- ITP Milestones (CPS #14231)**

- May 04 Design pilot scale melter
- May 05 Fabricate and shake down pilot scale melter
- May 06 Finish melting tests and analysis
- Aug 06 Complete commercialization planning

Milestones					90%
File	Status	Importance	Plan Complete	Actual Complete	
Complete CFD Model to be used by team members to design pilot scale melter	On Track	Pgm Mgr	3/31/2004		edit delete
Design pilot scale melter	On Track	Pgm Mgr	5/31/2004		edit delete
Procure all equipment and components for melter	On Track	Pgm Mgr	8/31/2004		edit delete
Fabricate and shake down of the pilot melter	On Track	Pgm Mgr	5/31/2005		edit delete
Finish all pilot scale melting tests (first series) and collect samples for analysis	On Track	Pgm Mgr	8/31/2005		edit delete
Finalize CFD model of the melter usable by all CFD operators	On Track	Pgm Mgr	8/31/2006		edit delete
Complete plan for commercialization, including needed developments and stages	On Track	Pgm Mgr	8/31/2008		edit delete
Percent of milestones completed: (\$ total)					0%

## Project Milestones in CPS



Linked with MYPP Milestones



# Next Generation Melting Systems Example

## High-Intensity Plasma Melting (CPS #14232)

### Technology Description:

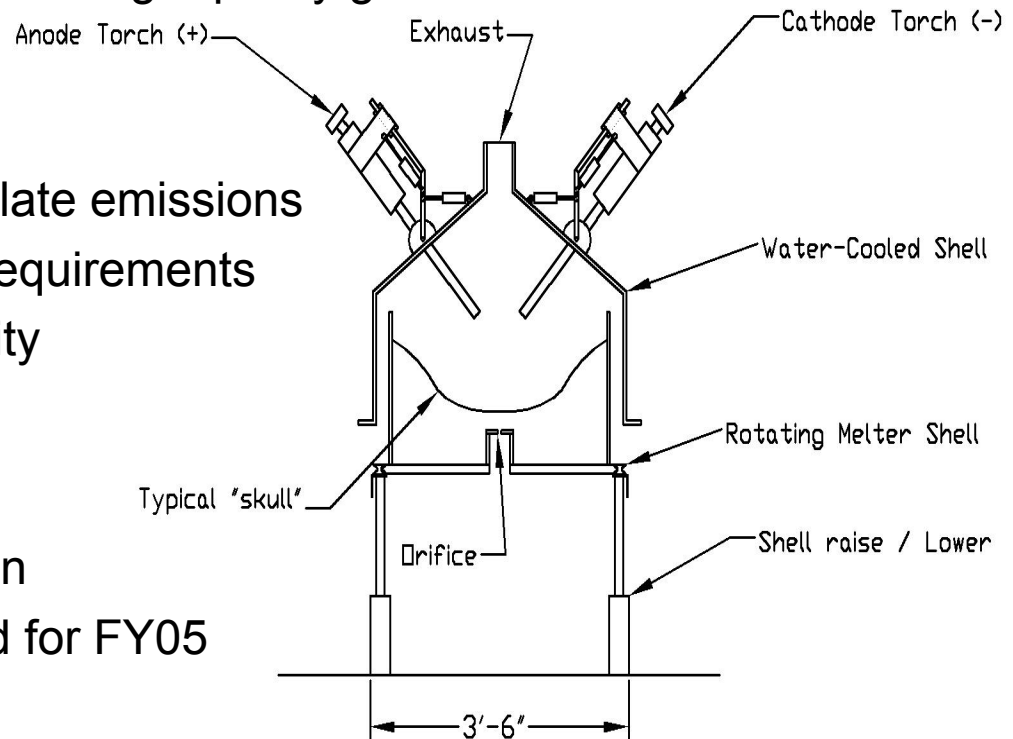
- Modular, electricity-based melter design utilizing dual-torch plasma arc melting technology for production of high quality glass

### • Benefits

- Up to 40% energy savings
- Reduced CO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, and particulate emissions
- Lower capital costs and space requirements
- Improved operability and flexibility
- Reduction in refractory usage

### • Status

- Melter design nearing completion
- Prototype melter testing planned for FY05





# Focus Area #2: Energy Efficiency Performance Improvements

## Barrier-Pathway Approach and Project Selection

### **Barriers**



### **Pathways**



### **Metrics**

- Energy requirements of current glass compositions
- Limitations of existing simulation tools and materials
- Ineffective use of waste furnace heat
- Lack systems to optimize combustion heat transfer

- Continue development of existing projects and award new projects for advanced, energy-efficient process technology
- Demonstrate and evaluate advanced technology
- Integrate technological advances into existing glass plant operations

Metric	2020
Energy Savings	17 trillion Btu
Cost Savings	\$67 million
Carbon Reduction	0.25 MMTCe

- **Select high energy impact efficiency projects as funding permits**
- **One project funded in FY 2003: Oxy-Fuel Fired Front-End System**





# Energy Efficiency Performance Improvement Projects

- Oxy-Fuel Fired Front-End System
- Coupled Combustion Space/Glass Bath Simulation
- High-Luminosity, Low-NO<sub>x</sub> Burner Demonstration (NICE3)
- Optimization of On-Line Coating for Float Glass
- GPLUS Exploratory Research Program





# EE Performance Improvements Example

## Coupled Combustion Space/Glass Bath Simulation (CPS #1025)

### Technology Description:

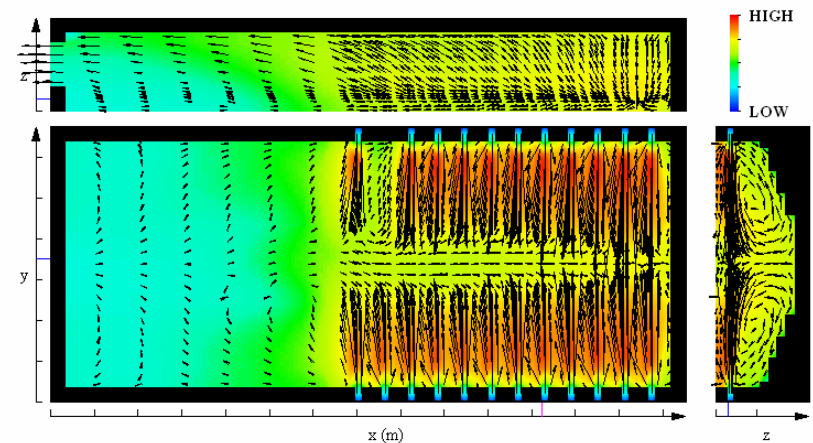
- An innovative, three-dimensional, glass melting furnace simulation model that provides a more accurate representation of the entire melting process by coupling the combustion space with the glass batch and the glass bath

### • Benefits

- Improved energy and production efficiency
- Reduced emissions
- Advance design capabilities

### • Status

- Final version of code complete
- Validation studies continuing
- Establishing user group



Partners: Argonne National Laboratory, Techneglas, Libbey, Osram Sylvania, Owens Corning, Visteon, Purdue University, and Mississippi State University



# Focus Area #3: Advanced Processing and Environmental R&D

## Barrier-Pathway Approach and Project Selection

### **Barriers**

- Lack robust, cost-effective sensing capability
- Lack sufficient understanding of physical processes
- Lack predictive and analytic tools for fabrication and emissions
- Regulatory risk for environmental improvements



### **Pathways**

- Continue development of existing projects and award new projects to increase glassmaking productivity
- Demonstrate and evaluate advanced technology
- Integrate technological advances into existing glass plant operations



### **Metrics**

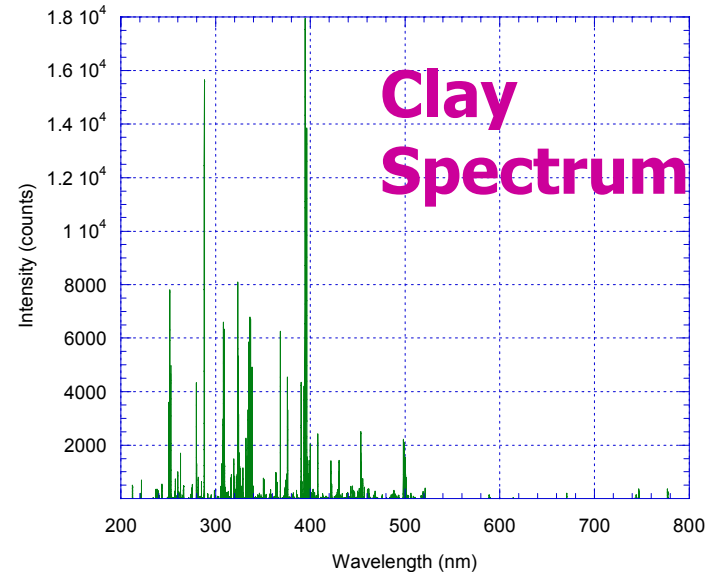
Metric	2020
Energy Savings	6 trillion Btu
Cost Savings	\$25 million
Carbon Reduction	0.09 MMTCe

- **Select high energy and productivity impact projects as funding permits**
- **No projects funded in FY 2003, activities continue**



# Advanced Processing and Environmental R&D Projects

- Measurement and Control of Glass Feedstocks
- Monitoring and Control of Alkali Volatilization
- Fiber Drawing Yield Improvement (States IOF)





# Glass Subprogram Management Resources

- **Headquarters Program Management:**
  - Glass Technology Lead and Industry Liaison: Elliott Levine
  - Guidance and feedback from expert consultants
    - e.g., Warren Wolf, Phil Ross, Jim Shell
  - Guidance and feedback from associations
    - e.g., Glass Manufacturing Industry Council
- **Golden Field Office**
  - Project Manager: Brad Ring
  - Contract Administration
  - Financial Accounting



# Subprogram Review and Assessment - Internal

- Rigorous evaluation process for program and projects:
  - Annual analysis of expected benefits (in accordance with Government Performance and Results Act) serves multiple purposes:
    - Up-front program planning and project selection
    - Benefits projection and project justification
  - Quarterly milestone review (most recently January 2004)
  - Ongoing project management by the field office
  - Commercialization planning



# Subprogram Review and Assessment - External

- Annual portfolio review (most recently September 2003)
  - Open meeting
  - Formal evaluations
  - Introduce glass industry to a range of technology
- Distribution of quarterly and final reports to the glass industry







# Maximizing Opportunities in ITP and EERE

## Collaborating with ITP Technology Delivery Subprograms

- Allied Partnership with GMIC
- Encouraging glass industry participation in Plant-Wide Assessments
- Distributing Glass Resources CD-ROM
- Activities to accelerate commercialization and adoption



## Leveraging with other ITP and EERE Programs

- R&D Projects in the following programs:
  - Industrial Materials
  - Sensors and Automation
  - States IOF
  - NICE3
  - Inventions & Innovations
  - SBIR
- Submitted joint glass-related topic with EERE Buildings program
- EERE Glass Review Board





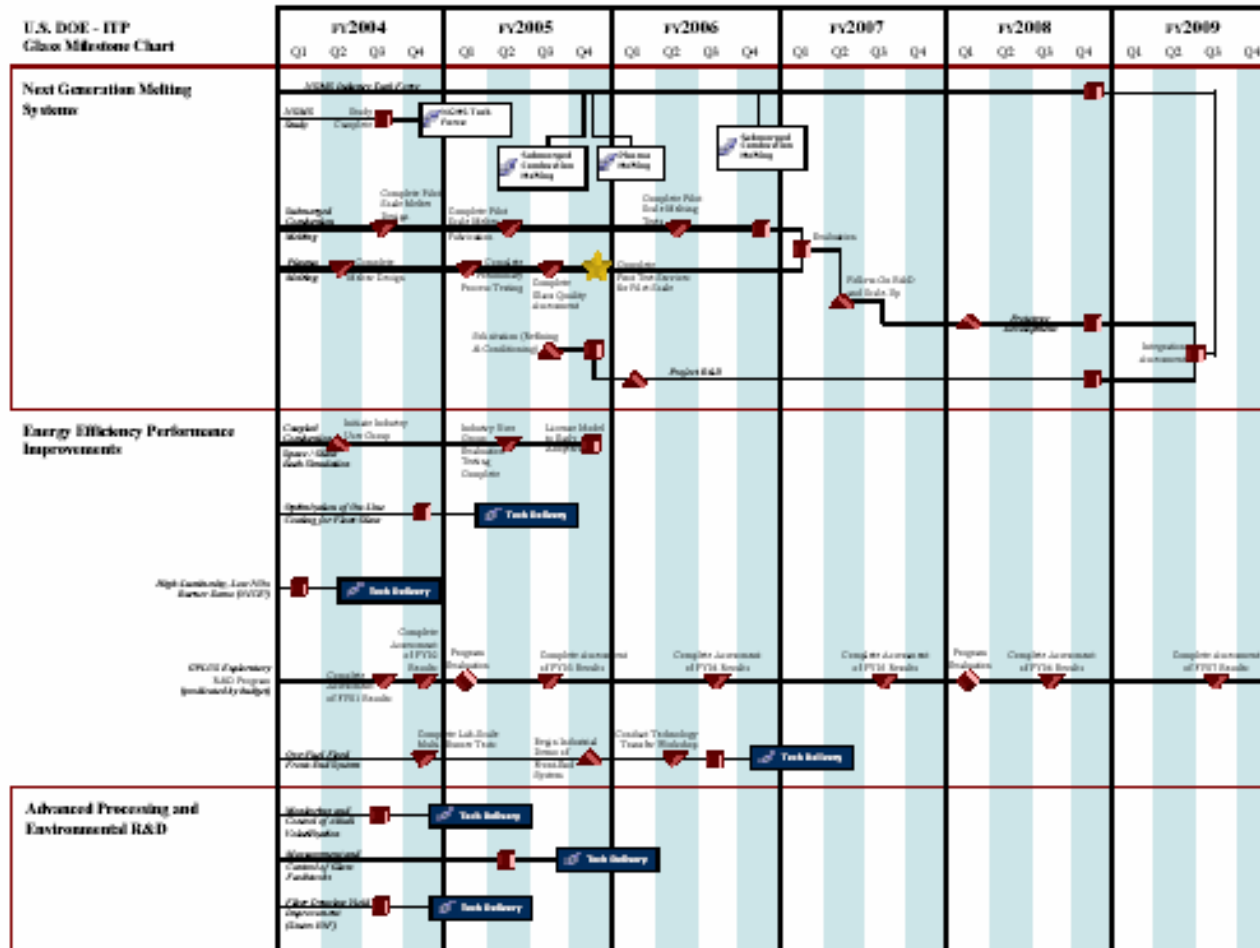
# Partnership Experience: Selected Highlights

- Glass Vision Published 1/96
- Technology Roadmap Workshop 4/97
- First Solicitation for Glass R&D 8/97
- GMIC Formed 9/98
- **GMIC/DOE Compact Signing** 2/99
- Next Generation Melting Workshop 2/01
- GMIC Published Technology Roadmap 4/02
- Latest Glass R&D Awards 4/03
- GMIC/DOE Allied Partnership Agreement 6/03
- 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Project Review & NREL Tour 9/03





# Milestone Tracking System





# Key Milestones

## Milestone

## Expected Completion

### ***Next Generation Melting Systems***

- |   |       |
|---|-------|
| • Complete plasma melter design                         | 3/04  |
| • Complete submerged combustion pilot scale design      | 6/04  |
| • Complete submerged combustion pilot-scale fabrication | 3/05  |
| • Complete plasma melter glass quality assessment       | 6/05  |
| • Initiate research on refining/conditioning            | 10/05 |

### ***Energy Efficiency Performance Improvements***

- |  |       |
|--|-------|
| • Begin transfer of results from online float glass coatings project | 3/04  |
| • Complete user group evaluation of furnace model                    | 3/05  |
| • Begin industrial demonstration of oxy-fuel front-end system        | 12/05 |

### ***Advanced Processing and Environmental R&D***

- |  |      |
|--|------|
| • Begin transfer of results from alkali volatilization project | 6/04 |
| • Complete demonstration of glass feedstock analysis system    | 2/05 |



# Accomplishments: Long History of Success

- **Oxy-Fuel Firing for Glass Furnaces**

- Commercialized in 1990
- Increases production rates by 10-15%
- Reduces NO<sub>x</sub> by up to 90%
- Over 100 commercial installations in the U.S.

Segment	# of Oxy-Fuel Furnaces	Total # of Furnaces	Percent Oxy-Fuel
Textile Fiberglass	31	68	46%
Pressed and Blown	27	79	34%
Container	24	126	19%
Wool Fiber	12	43	28%
TV Glass	9	12	75%
Lighting	8	21	38%
Flat	2	40	5%

- **High-Luminosity, Low-NO<sub>x</sub> Burner**

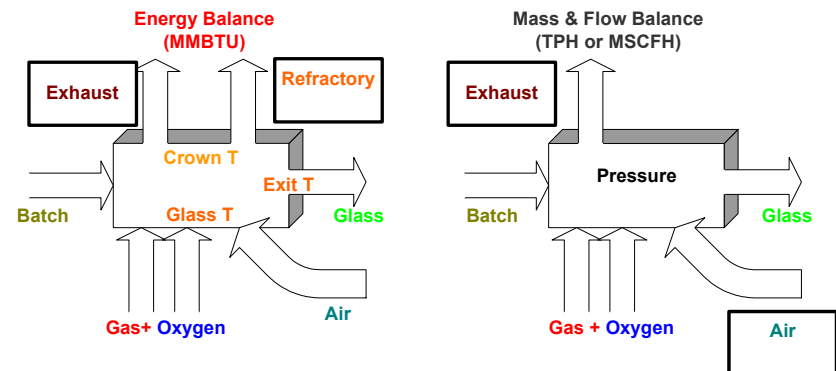
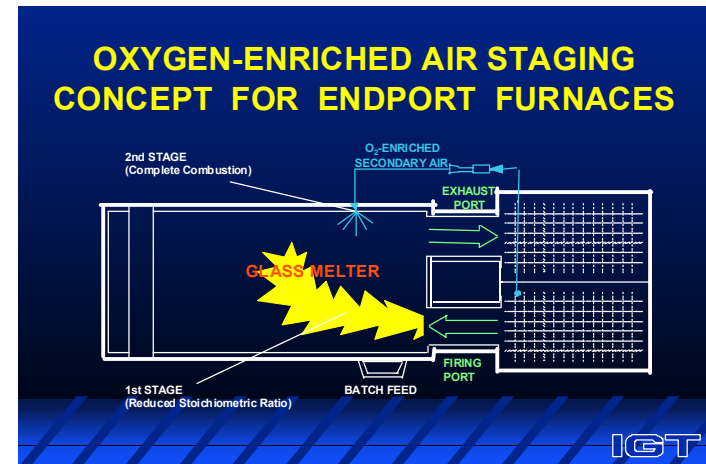
- Full-scale commercial field testing completed in two glass industry sectors
- Impact – NO<sub>x</sub> and thermal efficiency/energy reduction
- Commercially available





# Accomplishments

- **Oxygen-Enriched Air Staging**
  - Commercialized in 1996
  - R&D 100 Award winner
  - Demonstrated NO<sub>x</sub> reductions of 35-70%
  - Over 15 commercial installations
- **Oxy-Fuel Optimization Protocol**
  - Completed in 2003
  - Provides tool set for increasing furnace efficiency
  - Results showed 5% efficiency opportunity
  - Case study about to be released



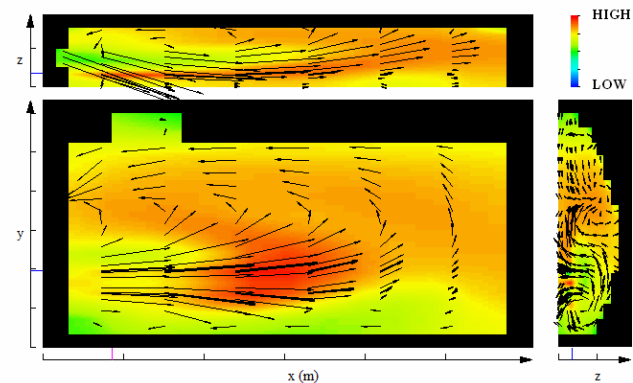
Date: June 2003 Pull: T/day  
Gas: MSCFH Oxy: MSCFH O/G:  
Efficiency: % Energy/Glass: MMBTU/Ton



# Selected FY 2003-2004 Accomplishments

- **Glass Melt Properties Database**
  - Completed in 2003
  - Improves the effectiveness of mathematical modeling
  - Impact – production and energy efficiency
- **Advanced Glass Furnace Model**
  - Robust, final version of the code operational
  - Validation studies ongoing
  - Impact – energy and production efficiency

Families Studied	Parameters Studied
Low-expansion borosilicate Container E-type textile fiberglass Float Color TV panel Wool-type insulation	Gas solubility Gas diffusivity Density Electric resistivity Surface properties Radiative conductivity Non-Newtonian viscosity Oxygen partial pressure





# Summary

The ITP Glass Subprogram is:

- A structured, analytic-based subprogram with well-defined areas
- Achieving tangible results, significant accomplishments forthcoming
- Successfully partnering with industry
- Leveraging existing funding
- Contributing to ITP and EERE energy and strategic goals







# Backup/Removed Slides



# Example: Seed Content and Glass Quality

## Acceptable Seed Quality by Sector

Glass Market	Seeds/Oz.	Relative Seed Quality
LCD Display		10x better than TV panel glass
TV Panel		10x better than float glass
Float/Flat		1,000 to 10,000x better than container glass
Textile Fiber		100x better than container glass
Tableware	< 2	10x better than container glass
Lighting Glass	~ 25	2x better than container glass
Container	10-20	10x better than funnel glass
TV Funnel	~ 200	2x better than wool insulation fiberglass
Insulation Fiber	~ 400	



# Leveraging with ITP Crosscutting and Other EERE Programs

Materials	Advanced Thermoelectric Materials for Waste Heat Recovery
Sensors & Automation	Control of Natural Gas Furnaces via Flame Image Analysis
SEP	Fiber Drawing Yield Improvement
SBIR	Universal Photo-Acoustic Sensor System Optical Fiber Probe for the Measurement of High Temperatures
Inventions & Innovations	Manufacturing Ceramic Products from Waste Glass High Throughput Vacuum Processing for Innovative Uses of Glass
NICE3	Clean, Efficient Glass Production Using High-Luminosity Burners
EERE Buildings	Submitted joint glass-related topic
EERE Glass Review Board	



# Collaborating with ITP Technology Delivery Programs

- Delivering technology through Allied Partnership with GMIC
  - Training workshops conducted
- Encouraging glass industry participation in PWAs
- Distributing Glass Resources CD-ROM
- Focusing efforts to accelerate commercialization and adoption





# Example: Glass Collaboration Experience

